CHINESE K – 12 CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY WITH ADVANCED STANDING (ENDORSEMENT CODE: 1572)

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This endorsement entitles the holder to teach **Chinese** in all public schools.

In order to be eligible for the Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS), you will need to meet the following:

Degree Requirement

 A minimum of a bachelor's degree is required from a <u>regionally accredited college/university</u>. (http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/usaccred.htm)

Cumulative GPA Requirement

• New Jersey requires that candidates for certification achieve a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 when a GPA of 4.00 equals an A grade for students graduating on or after September 1, 2004 (2.50 for those graduating before September 1, 2004) in a baccalaureate degree program, higher degree program or a State-approved post-baccalaureate certification program with a minimum of 13 semester-hour credits. Please note that a high praxis test score may offset a GPA that is lower than 2.75 but higher than 2.50. Click on the following link for more details: http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/gpa.htm

Subject Matter Preparation

• For certification as an **Chinese** teacher, current regulations require that applicants complete a minimum of 30 credits in a coherent sequence in the subject field of **Chinese**. A coherent sequence requires that at least 12 credits are completed at the advanced level of study (junior, senior or graduate level). Examples of courses accepted for **Chinese** include **language and culture courses**. Related courses may be accepted depending on the course description/content. Please provide a course description if a course is not taken from the **Chinese** Department. Courses in pedagogy/education are not accepted towards the subject matter preparation. The final determination as to which courses will be counted towards the **Chinese** subject matter is based on professional and content standards found in the NJ Licensing Code. **All credits must appear on a regionally accredited 4-year college/university transcript.** If courses are taken at a community college, those credits must be transferred to a regionally accredited 4-year college transcript.

Professional Teacher Preparation

Current regulations for certification require that applicants complete a coherent sequence of study in
professional education which may be completed in a provisional teacher program or an approved
teacher preparation program. This is to advise that courses presented by the applicant in professional
education must be a coherent sequence of courses that culminates in supervised student teaching.

Praxis II Test Requirement

There is no Praxis test requirement for this certificate.

Oral Proficiency Interview

• The Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) in **Chinese** with a score of "Intermediate High" or higher is required. You must possess linguistic competency in the designated world language as demonstrated on a Department-approved, nationally recognized test of oral language proficiency for spoken language, reading/writing proficiency for classical languages or receptive/expressive proficiency for American Sign Language. Information regarding this test may be found on the Language Testing International website at www.languagetesting.com or by calling Language Testing International by phone at (914) 963-7110.

Second Language Acquisition & Related Methodologies

A minimum of three semester-hour credits in second language acquisition theory and related methodologies
offered by a regionally accredited four year college or university must be completed. A list of approved
courses to meet this requirement can be accessed at the following website:

 www.state.nj.us/njded/aps/cccs/wl/courses.htm.

Physiology and Hygiene Requirement

This requirement may be completed by presenting evidence of basic military training, OR by completing a
course such as biology, health or nutrition that appears on a regionally accredited 4-year college or
university transcript, OR by completing a 35 question True/False test administered in the county office of
education. Please go to http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/county.htm in order to contact a
county office of education after you apply online.

Fee Information

The current cost of the certificate is \$170. Fees are payable online or by a money order, certified check, or
personal check made out to the "COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION". If you apply and are denied, you will
be charged a fee of \$70. Please be advised that all fees, including money left on file, are
nonrefundable.

IF YOU HAVE MET THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS, <u>CLICK HERE</u> TO APPLY ONLINE.

Applicant Checklist: You cannot complete the entire application process online. After applying online, please submit ALL necessary documentation together IN A SINGLE PACKET to the NJ DOE in order to complete your application. Please put your tracking number or Social Security number on all documents that you send to our office. For this particular certificate, you will need to send in the following:
 □ Oath of allegiance/verification of accuracy form. (Available here: http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/forms/verify.pdf) □ Official transcripts noting degree conferral and all other relevant transcripts. If possible, please have transcripts sent to you first and then forward them in the sealed envelope(s) together with any other documents. □ Verification of Program Completion. (Not necessary if student teaching is clearly noted on transcripts.) (Available here: http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/forms/college1.pdf) □ Copies of your Praxis test score report (Not necessary if you have not taken the Praxis test. See above for details.) □ Fee of \$170 if not paid online. Fees are payable online or by a money order, certified check, or personal check made out to the "COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION".